

Mr. Jerome P. Subar  
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Dear Mr. Subar:

Thank you for your letter of May 25, 2001 to Administrator Whitman concerning the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) efforts to develop a federal regulation governing the handling of soiled reusable shop towels.

We appreciate your interest in this issue and thank you for identifying your concerns. At this time, we are striving to complete several important analyses that will influence the regulatory approach that we take with respect to the handling of these materials. I assure you that these analyses will take into consideration the concerns you identify in your letter to the Administrator.

Again, thank you for your input, and we look forward to continuing to work with you as we proceed with this effort.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth A. Cotsworth, Director  
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